



# THE INDEPENDENT

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## The Soldier Balks

IDEWATER Virginia soldiers and sailors who have returned from service overseas refused to march in a big parade in Norfolk Monday night and receive an ovation which Norfolk had planned to give them as they marched. Instead of thousands of soldiers and sailors in the parade, there were less than a hundred. Hundreds of khaki clad soldiers stood along the line of march and watched the parade. When asked why they were not in line, they invariably replied that they had done enough marching in England and France.

One Norfolk newspaper criticizes the soldiers who refused to parade their heroism for the benefit of civilian spectators. The critical newspaper probably has failed to penetrate the psychology of the returned soldiers. The boys who fought in this fool world war just ended are done with militarism and militaristic pageantry. Every military spectacle is repulsive to them and they seem to be bitterly opposed to making military displays and parading their military trappings to satisfy the morbid curiosity of civilians. The soldiers act almost as released convicts would be expected to act, if they were invited to put on their old prison uniforms and parade the streets behind a brass band.

And why condemn the soldiers for this? Put yourself in the soldier's place. Suppose you had been taken a way from a perfectly good job and a reasonably comfortable home and sent 3,000 miles overseas to fight a foreign foe. And suppose you endured lice, hunger, hardships, loneliness, home-sickness and took orders from social and intellectual inferiors without daring to talk back. And suppose after fighting a war in which you sought no private gain, in which your country sought no annexations and no indemnities, you then saw the Allies for whom you had done all this, quarreling like savage beasts among themselves for the dismemberment of the conquered territory. And suppose in your twelve months or eighteen months experience in training camps and on the fronts you had been brought face to face with the stern fact that wars are not made by those who fight them, but made by diplomats impelled by economic conditions. I say, put yourself in the soldier's place and ask yourself whether you would want to be paraded around a hot, dirty, greedy, grasping, profiteering home city once you got your discharge? You probably would let George do it, just as the soldiers did in Norfolk Monday night.

## A Way to Get The Same Results

THE repeal of the Day Light Savings Bill, effective the last Sunday in October of this year, will meet with the approval of the farming class, but it positively disappoints a large class of dwellers in towns.

Here in Elizabeth City, for instance, getting up an hour earlier during the summer has given the populace an hour more of daylight after the day's work. This extra hour of daylight has given the people an opportunity to cultivate their gardens; it has given the worker a chance to see a ball game or take a dip in the river in the evening between the close of business and the fall of night. And it has meant a saving of hundreds of dollars in light bills.

The towns can get around the repeal of the Day Light Savings Bill by setting their working hours back next summer, if they will. All the benefit the towns now derive from the Day Light Saving plan, may be retained by stores and mills agreeing to start to work an hour earlier and quit work an hour earlier during the summer months. But will they do it?

THE proposed District Highway between Edenton and the Virginia State Line via Elizabeth City is about to collapse, because the act creating the scheme was faultily drawn, to begin. Again, the authors of the measure counted upon State and Federal Road aid far in excess of legitimate expectations. Seeing the beautiful bubble about to burst, someone is trying to dodge responsibility and make the Pasquotank Highway Commission the goat. An effort is being made to create an impression that the Pasquotank Highway Commission is blocking the district project. That is a mean, vicious, sneaking, cowardly trick and the north-eastern North Carolina public should not be deceived.

PRESIDENT WILSON declared in 1917: "Only a peace between equals can last." Again he declared: "The right state of mind, the right feeling between nations is necessary for a lasting peace." And again he said: "Peace terms forced upon the loser—a victor's terms imposed upon the vanquished, would be accepted in humiliation, under duress, at an intolerable sacrifice,—would leave a sting, a resentment, a bitter memory upon which terms of peace would rest, not permanently, but only as upon quicksands." But that was 1917 when President Wilson said all that.

Another lecture propagandist sent out by the Wilson administration from Washington has told Elizabeth City how to pay off the war debt. He says all we have to do is to raise twice as much stuff on our farms. That poor misguided fool should go out into the country and tell that sort of tommy-rot to the potato growers. With a short-crop of potatoes, the farmer can't get a profitable return. If he raised twice as many potatoes, just where would he get off?

PROHIBITION of the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer will give added stimulus to the sale of patent and proprietary drugs and nostrums. Prohibition has committed a grave crime in abolishing wine and beer along with whiskey, and permitting the patent medicine evil to remain. There is no jag worse than a drug store jag.

THOSE Elizabeth City couples who make use of Hollywood Cemetery for a spooning place at night, may not be afraid of ghosts, but it is a cinch the ghosts would flee that cemetery if they could see some of the doings of living mortals out there after night fall.

## A COUNTY INSTITUTE FOR TEACHERS HERE IN AUGUST

A county institute for teachers will be held at Elizabeth City for two weeks beginning August 25, and all teachers who have not otherwise met the requirements of the school law must attend.

In commenting on the county institute plan, Dr. C. E. Brooks, State Superintendent of Public Instruction has made the statement that the progressive counties of North Carolina have abandoned the two-week county institutes in favor of the County Summer School, usually held for a period of four weeks, because it offers far better facilities for teacher training. Practically all the counties in this part of the State except Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck have already adopted the Summer School plan.

## THERE'S A HOT TIME COMING!

Next Friday, July, 4th is expected to be the biggest day in the history of Elizabeth City, from the standpoint of attractions and great crowds.

The Horse racing last year was exceedingly fine, but we are assured by those in charge, that it will be better this time. Then added to that we understand there will be two Air-Ships here fluttering over the city, at one time.

Besides the above and various other attractions, such as Wrestling, Running, Baseball and etc. a real up to date Carnival or Street Shows, is expected to be here.

Everybody for many miles around should avail themselves of this opportunity to get one days rest and recreation, and at the same time meet old friends and form new acquaintances.

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## 2 BURGLARS ATTEMPT TO ENTER P. S. SHIPP HOME

An attempt to burglarize the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Shipp, corner of First and Cypress Streets, this city, was frustrated Wednesday night when the burglars were discovered by a neighbor. Mrs. Leslie Armstrong lives just across the street from the Shipp residence. About 1:30 a.m. she was awakened by low talking on the street below her bedroom window. She called her husband and they observed two men make their way to the Shipp home across the street. The men prowled about the premises for several minutes and then attempted to open a window. Mr. Armstrong gave an alarm and the men disappeared.

**Chief Executives Censured.**  
Congress has twice censured a president—Andrew Jackson, in June, 1834, for causing the removal of the government deposits of about ten million dollars from the United States bank the preceding September; and John Tyler, in 1843. Tyler was elected as a Whig, but was really a Democrat; so he was therefore constantly antagonizing the policies of the party which had elected him.

## NORFOLK MARKETS

Norfolk, Va., June 26, 1919.  
Reported especially for THE INDEPENDENT by Jarvis & Fentress.  
The following prices represent actual sales made to-day:

Items not quoted were not sold to-day and the Food Administration prohibits quotations other than actual sales.

Hens	35-
Eggs	41c to 42c
Frying Chickens	55c
Turkeys, live	30c
Roosters, live	20c
Ducks, live	25c
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Ice-cold, distilled water will be on tap and sanitary individual drinking cups will be furnished.

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We have just bought a Grafonola and a musical program will be rendered during the day. Music to suit every taste will be played, Sousa's Band, Dixieland Jass Band, Pedro, the Accordion Wizard, Spaulding, McCormack, Alma Gluck and many other artists will be featured.

Our Bundle Department, which has been in operation during the past year, is still at your service. Packages, no matter where purchased, sent to The City Drug Store will be taken care of, until you call for them.

The Rest Room is for your convenience and entertainment and it is our wish to make it pleasant and helpful to you in every possible way.

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